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Orange County Oil Dealer Arrested for Tax Evasion

John M. Baker, operator of Baker Oil Company of Orleans, Indiana, surrendered to authorities September 17, 2003 as a result of eight Class D felony criminal charges against him by the Indiana Department of Revenue.

The charges are a result of an investigation into the business practices of Baker's Orange County business by the Department's Criminal Investigation Division and were filed against the Orleans resident with the Vanderburgh County Prosecutor's Office.

The eight felonies include two counts of theft, three counts of transporting special fuel in bulk to which a dye marker had not been added and the taxes had not been paid, and three counts of failure to pay special fuel taxes at the time required by law.

Maximum sentence for each Class D felony is three years in prison and a fine of \$10,000.

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